

REMARKS

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action, containing a restriction requirement, mailed December 13, 2004. Applicant has cancelled Claims 48-54 without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants request allowance of all pending claims.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that the present Application is in condition for allowance and favorable notice thereof is solicited. Applicants request allowance of Claims 1-47. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

Applicants hereby take an Extension of Time for filing this Response for one month from January 13, 2005 to February 13, 2005. A check in the amount of \$120.00 is enclosed to cover for the extension of time fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

If there are matters that can be discussed by telephone to further the prosecution of this application, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner call their attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,
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